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THE Post Office Department has just

Issued a 30-cent stamp. Investigator Bristow has been putting it on certain officials for some time. THE Pennsylvania Democrats are bring-

ing out ex-Governor Pattison for consideration as good Presidential timber. He is quite as promising as Cleveland was at his first election. IT LOOKS as if a great deal of explanation will have to be made by Congress-

Quartermaster-General of the Army. THE message of the President of the United States of Colombia strongly favors p ratification of the Canal Treaty, and gives Congress, it would seem, unanswer-

matter is now in the hands of Congress. THE Cuban Senate continues to show granting the United States coaling sta- nience to do otherwise. tions at Guantanamo and Bahia Honda, and that accepting the sovereignty over the Isle of Pines. There was some noisy opposition, but it was quietly disregarded.

AMERICAN sharpshooters have again carried off the trophy from all the rest of the marksmen in the world. They made the best showing in nearly every test and Great Britain came second. This has always been the case since the world began

tive work in cleaning up Manila as we 4,355, and the amount paid them annualdid in that other plague spot, Havana. The death rate has steadily decreased from which would make their average income the frightful 46.80 per thousand when we took the city to 22.17 for this year, which is less than that of the average American

KANSAS has been doing something besides talking and bobbing up above the drainage of the Rocky Mountains. She is now harvesting a wheat crop which will beat her banner year of 1901 by about 10,000,000 bushels. She will also have ever known in the history of the State.

enartment of Iowa G. A. R. done itself credit and insured a good administration for the coming year by the election of Col. L. B. Raymond, of Hampton, as Commander. Comrade Raymond who is a big man physically as well as intellectually, and brimming over with earnestness for the G. A. R., as well as all other good things, served in the 6th Wis., gade. He has been a resident of Hampton ever since the close of the war, and is editor and owner of the "Recorder," one of the best weekly papers in the State. He is held in high esteem by his neighbors for a life of good, unselfish work.

THE Department of California has de-Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Col. distinct benefit to them everywhere. Kinne eminently deserves this promotion, as there has been no more zealous or efgood work, and, besides, is a very genial and popular comrade. He was Commander of the Department of California and Nevada in 1880-'81. The main thing against his success is the disposition of the National Encampment to do away with the old practice of electing the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief from the Department entertaining the Encampment. This, however, has been broken so often in the past few years, that the election of Comrade Kinne may not be considered establishing a precedent for a return to it.

AT THE Annual Encampment of the Department of South Dakota, resolutions were unanimously adopted which, after clined it, and Col. Maurice P. Belknap, a stating that the question of pensions can prominent wholesale merchant of Louisnever be settled until settled right, and ville, a man of high character, was nomthat it is a burning shame that over 23,000 | insted. He is entirely satisfactory to both veterans who gave the best years of their factions of the party, and it is felt that young life to the Government died last the Republicans now have a good chance year without the relief which the law affords, said:

"That, in order to prevent, as far as pos sible, the further misinterpretation of those laws, we favor a service pension law which shall give to every honorably discharged soldier or sailor of the army or of the United States who served during the war of the rebellion, a pension of who are receiving none at all."

AN UNPLEASANT exhibition of the sur vival of the rancorous Copperhead spirit is shown in the action of two anti-imperialist trustees of the Public Library at Springfield, Mass., who have succeeded in preventing the erection of a statue of ex-President McKinley upon the library grounds. This required unanimous consent, and therefore the two recalcitrants were able to prevent it. This is positive disloyalty. No matter what any of us may have thought of certain acts of any President of the United States, he was still our President and entitled to our of several men who have been President, Unnlaska on the north, Midway Island be well emulated by other labor leaders. yet, the great majority of their acts have and Hawaii in the center, Tutuils in the been such as to receive our approval and south, and Guam and Manila on the east. were to the honor and glory of the country, and this must be kept in mind. The action of the Springfield Trustees was simble to the Pacific, and the American harbors in the Pacific, and the American question is whether they can get juries to was so behindend in all my life, not even ply anarchy, and therefore detestable, flag floats over them.

## BOARDS OF PENSION EXAMINERS.

The newspapers, with their customary battle, and for bis widow and gnorance of everything pertaining to penover Commissioner Ware's action in removing a Democratic Examining Surgeon in order to make the Board non-partisan. This is an old story which has in the past attracted much attention.

Un to Mr. Cleveland's second term, the Boards of Examining Surgeons were non- ly character. partisan. When the Republicans were in

of Ohio.

failed to undo it, as he had the power.

pointments on the Examining Surgeons anxiously watch for the smoke rising things that are happening right along. Boards, though these latter vigorously from the chimney which aunounces the Last week the Gen. Lyon burned up off man Littauer to have appear entirely correct a transaction in which goods were claimed that it did. Their claim was re- failure of the ballot to elect. The late shipped direct from his factory to the peatedly shown to have no validity, and Pope was elected unanimously. the Solicitor of the Treasury gave an opinion, published in The National Trib- between two or three heads of old Italune and editorially commented upon, re- ian families, who have for centuries furjecting the claim of the Cleveland ap-nished Popes. Since 1522 there has not pointees, and showed conclusively that been any but Italians elected. The last I'd rather take my chances with my old they were outside of Civil Service.

able reasons for ratifying the treaty. The Still, Commissioner Evans adhered to lander. the idea that they were covered by Civil Service, and retained them upon that thestatesmanship. It has ratified the treaty ory, except when it suited his conve-

Therefore, the claim made by the papers, that Commissioner Ware's action is a violation of Civil Service is absolutely without foundation. He is simply returning to the original, non-partisan idea of the Boards, and his action has been perfeetly proper, no matter in what light it is viewed.

Apropos to this question of the profitableness of these appointments, it will be seen by the report of the Commissioner of Pensions that the number of Pension WE SEEM to have done quite as effec- Examining Surgeons in the country is ly sometimes reaches as high as \$964,000, \$221 a year, a very comfortable addition to any country practitioner's income Of course, very many of these, particularly in the South, get very little, but the revenue of those in the districts where the veterans are numerous must average over \$1,000 per year.

# AGE LIMIT REMOVED.

Comrade Ivory G. Kimball Commander an immense corn crop, a superb yield of of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. and fit in it admirably. oats, and more hay and grass than was R., has been laboring long and hard to open a little wider the doors to public employment for the Veterans. He has attained a qualifying measure of success in thorship of the poem.

It is not improbable that Mr. Thompson ship."

ship."

"Well, we're at least in no danger, lying here get. Nobody'll 'tend to them right if I ain't there, and "Billings could be seen pointing and direct through the poem."

worst is the delay. Even if you can't re
"Now, Mother," said the Deacon, rather ing the poem."

"Now, Mother," said the Deacon, rather ing those around him. A couple of tained a qualifying measure of success in the issuance of the following Civil Ser-

vice order by the President: EXECUTIVE ORDER.

In the tests prescribed under regulations governing the employment of un-skilled labor the element of age shall be omitted in the case of soldiers and sailors of the civil war, and their relative fitness which was one of the famous Iron Bri- decided by their physical qualifications, moral character, industry and adaptability for manual labor.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT. (Signed) White House, July 8, 1903.

This applies not merely to the veterans of the District of Columbia, who are introduced for blackmailing purposes in seeking employment in the Departments the last Legislature, and smothered when as laborers, watchmen, messengers, etc., they had served their purpose. A number cided to bring out Col. C. Mason Kinne for but to those all over the country. It is a of quite prominent politicians would not

The Civil Service Commission has done them a cruel wrong in making age a bar fective worker for the G. A. R. than he. to their employment. They were certain- camp and the Burton camp, are equally He is always on duty and always doing ly entitled to a preference for any labor or employment of which they were fully capable without reference to age limita-

> Ex-GOVERNOR W.S. BRADLEY, of Kentucky, achieved a remarkable personal triumph in his State. All hopes of Re- the State and the annoyance of publican success seemed to wither in the face of developments of bitter factional strife, but Gov. Bradley went in the convention and by his presence, and in a well considered speech, set a keynote of harmony which was enthusiastically adopted. The convention tried to press the nomination of Governor upon him, but he de-

THE proceedings of the Conciliation Board in the Wilkesbarre mining district gives much hope that a way has been found to amicably settle disputes between capital and labor. Both sides have sub-\$12 per month, to apply to those who are now receiving less than that amount, or decided them apparently with the greatmitted grievances to the Board and it has est justice, and the decisions are so far accepted. Of the three grievances decided last week, two favor the contention of the men and one was against them.

> THINGS seem to be coming our way all have been gladdened by the return of the of the mines of California.

### DEATH OF THE POPE

After a long struggle, in which med ical science, aided by a correct life, good sion matters, are making much clatter constitution and a strong will, made a stubborn fight against old age, death has claimed Leo XIII. and the 263d in the list of successors of St. Peter, now sleeps with his predecessors. The late Pope led a long blameless life filled with good works and made ideal by a sincere, kind

He was born March 2, 1810, named the Boards were made up usually of two Gioacchino Pecci, and was the son of Republicans and one Democrat, and when Count Luigi Pecci. He entered orders the Democrats were in the proportion upon reaching the proper age, and his was reversed. Mr. Cleveland proceeded progress was so rapid that he became an to change all this. Positions on the Archbishop in 1843, then but 33 years Boards under the new regime he intro- old, and a Cardinal in 1854, when but 44 sirable ph ms for fieldling young physi- and had consequently passed some months cians, whose lack of practice allowed the traditional reign of 25 years, which them time to do good work for the party. was St. Peter's term. The College of From \$1,200 to \$1,500 per year was Cardinals must now proceed to the elecquite a common revenue from these posi- tion of his successor. This is done in a tions, and the result was that all over conclave-Latin con, with; clavis, a key. the country the Boards were made strict. They are all locked up together and dely Democratic. At one time it was an nied access from the outside until a choice ounced that there were not more than is made. In practice, the room in which three or four Republican physicians on the Cardinals are assembled has the doors the Examining Boards in the whole State walled up, and they are imprisoned there until their functions are discharged. The In the last days of his administration, process of election is for each Cardinal Cleveland covered all the changes he to write on the ticket his own name and made in the public employment, to the that of the Cardinal for whom he votes. great injury of the veterans, with a These tickets, folded and scaled, are laid blanket order putting them under the on a chalice of the altar of the room Civil Service. This was an outrage where the conclave assembles. The tickwhich gave the veterans a grievance ets are taken from the chalice by seruta against President McKinley, because he tors, elected by the Conclave, and examined. If no Cardinal has received the But wide as Cleveland made his Civil necessary two-thirds vote, the tickets are Service order, it did not extend to his ap- at once burned, and the people of the city

The choice for his successor will non-Italian Pope was Adrian VII., a Hol-

### "HIGH TIDE AT GETTYSEURG."

Mr. Thompson's beautiful poem, "High Tide at Gettysburg," is, in the opinion of great American poems, and what has strongly recommended the poem to patriotic people everywhere were the following rebel soldier and fought at Gettysburg: They fell, who lifted up a hand

And bade the sun of heaven to stand! They smote and fell, who set the bars Against the progress of the stars, And stayed the march of Motherland!

They stood, who saw the future come On through the fight's delirium! They smote and stood, who held the hope Of nations on that slippery slope . Amid the cheers of Christendom

'God lives! He forged the iron will That clutched and held that trembling

God lives and reigns! He built and lent The hights for Freedom's battlement Where floats her flag in triumph still!" Mr. Thompson, however, has disclaimed hese verses, and says that while he wrote the poem, these were interpolated by some unknown person. This statement seems

It is not improbable that Mr. Thompson horship of that portion of the poem.

# KANSAS, TOO.

We grieve to say that the Kansas Legisup the prairies with very specific and accurate charges of corruption. He calls upon the Governor and Attorney-General that is current in the State, and find out what grounds there are for it, particularly for the allegations as to bills which were show up well in such an investigation and several bosses would be removed from Kansas politics. Both camps, the Leland implicated. He says:

"There were no thousand dollar bills used in Kansas during the last Legisla-ture. But there were a lot of little pick-pockets who would sell their honor for anything from a good cigar to \$500-and it was always dear at half price-who practiced systematic hold-up and dinkey little sand-bag games, to the disgrace of men with honest business before the Legis-lature. These human gnats should be wiped off the earth. Kansas needs a man with a jaw—not the jawbone of an ass; not a jawsmith full of wind and wonders, but a man with a firm jaw who can set it by time lock and go after the petty-lar-cenists, of both parties, and of both facversis, of both parties, and of both fac-tions of both parties, who pester the real workers in every Legislature. It won't hurt the Republican party to unearth them. That kind of talk is foolish. Are the postal scandals burting Roosevelt?"

A most useful life closed at Winnipeg, Manitoba, July 16, in the death of P. M. Arthur, for many years Grand Chief Engincer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Mr. Arthur acceded to the Chiefship of the Brotherhood of Locomo tive Engineers at a time when the relations of the order to the employers were in a very irritating shape, and strikes had been ordered with as little sense or justification as many of those in other labor branches of recent years. Strikes were as selfishly disregardful of the rights, convenience, and even lives, of the public as others have been. Trains were abandoned started, and soon leaked so profusely that on the minute, without notice to the traveling public, frequently leaving women, children and invalids in the midst tighten the rivets.

All this time the Fernando Wood had round the extensive boundaries of our of great forests, far from food, fire, or empire. The Massachusetts fishermen succor of any kind. Mr. Arthur's course took cognizance of these evils, and while mackerel to their coasts after an absence | maintaining in the most satisfactory way of eight or 10 years. This means an ac- the rights of his people, regarded the cession of wealth greater than is dug out rights of others, and finally brought about such relations between the engineers and wind their employers that there has not been a The work of converting the Pacific into strike for many years, and both sides to an American lake goes on with astonish- the contract are well satisfied with their honor and support as such. Bitterly ing rapidity. We have now nearly all the relations. This was a great work, and though we may have criticized certain acts best barbors around the great Ocean, with Chief Arthur's character and methods can

> THE United States Courts in Alabama convict. This remains to be seen.

# Si Klegg, Shorty" and the Boys of Co. "Q", on the March through the Carolinas

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Hatteras Wreckers. Of course the Fernando Wood's engines

broke down some time after she entered Pamtico Sound.

"Its an almighty wonder that they last-Sam Lefferts, the engineer, as he and the consultation. "Never saw such a ram-slackle old collection of patched pipes and again a gap t There's not a meaner nest a brother. of beach-combing murderers and sea rob bers from Halifax to the gates of burnmg brimstone.

"How in the world did he get in with nem?" asked the Deacon. "Of course, them?" he's thick with all the rascal push out in

"O, he's been East long enough for answered Greenville. "There's probably a community among ogues just the same's there's a communiy among saints, reflected the Deacon The children of the devil know each other

s quickly as the children of light."
"If I had my way a lot of these shoddy ites who are mardering and drowning per to get rid of their old ratty tub big price would be shot to-morrow morn ing, said First Mate Andy Greenville wrathfully, "It's simply frightful the Hatteras, with nearly the whole of a regiment that'd been clear through the war You heard about the explosion of the Sui tana, on the Mississippi, with all thos prisoners from Andersonville on board elvery day something is happening with old hulks. I said to myself when looked at this measly rattle trap that regiment at the front, but orders are or ders, and I'm taking them, now, since I've gone back the army." back to sailing, just as I used to it

"Same here," said Engineer Lefferts, who still limped from the wound which caused his discharge. "The men who own many competent critics, one of the few mounts. I said to myself as soon as I looked into the engine-room that I'd a heap rather go into a fight than take he outside the banks. In the sound here it is as smooth sailing as a mill pond, and verses, which seem to be all the more my best hope was that we'd keep inside noteworthy because Mr. Thompson was a and run up the sound to Oregon Inlet, which would leave only about 80 miles t run to Cape Henry, when we'd go again. If we ran out through Hattern Inlet, and tried to go around Cape Hat teras, our chances would be about as good as those of an egg in a load of brick

"What did you say the nature of your break-down is?" asked Dr. Brookes. crack is an old and bad one, and the arm must have been put in before starting on this last trip. It is a different visco of the crack is a different visco of the cattle are playing hob with that wheat I but in so carefully less than the cattle are playing hob she has stopped there. She has referred to communicate to his partner, "and the cattle are playing hob she has stopped there. She has referred to communicate to his partner, "and the cattle are playing hob she has stopped there. this last trip. It is a different piece metal from the rest of the engine. must 've been picked up from somewhere the good old hymn I've so often quoted to be put in."

"How long will it take you to repair

which is a great deal, for Sandy Baker rather singular, because the verses are in the exact manner of the rest of the poem.

pair your engine we may signal some pass-ing steamer to take us in tow."

"Don't be so sure," answered the First late. "Old Billings run her away over Mate. toward Chicamacomico Island, clear out lature is also suffering from the epidemic of the path and the sight of the usual route malaria of boodling. Editor William Al- of vessels. He said he was going to keep len White, of the Emporia Gazette, wakes her inside, and make for Oregon or Nev Inlet. I agreed with him that it would be safer than to go outside through Hat teras Inlet, and go around Cape Hatteras, most of the vessels do. to go to the bottom of much of the talk taken us away north-clear out of sightof their path. What's still worse, entirely too near the reefs of Chicama comico Island to be laying to without power, with this northwest wind constant ly drifting us nearer. And the wind seems rising, too.

"And we may drift on that land there? inquired the Deacon with a look at the low, long line of Chicamacomico Island, which stretches Its narrow barrier of sand and stunted trees for 80 miles along the North Carolina coast, to shut off the shal-low, quiet waters of Pamlico Sound from the world-wide sweep of the turbulent At-lantic. "You say that bad people live there?"

"Bad as they make 'em," said Engineer Lefferts. "I'd liefer fall into the hands of a tribe of Comanches than theirs. The Comanches will sometimes take pris-oners, and theres a show of getting away from them. But not them fellows over there. They were bad enough before the war. They've been wreckers and robbers from their great grandfathers down, and sea-rapscallions from everywhere floc ed there. Since then they've been reinforced by deserters from the navy and convicts escaping from the rebels, until if you hung every man over there you wouldn't put the rope amiss a single time. A decent man can't live among them. They're afraid every minute he's alive that he'll 'peach on

"We're getting nearer the land," said the Deacon. "Even since we begun talk-ing we've come closer, for I can begin to out the shapes of different trees,

which I couldn't before. The Engineer hurried down into the hold o look after the progress of the work. Sandy Baker and his assistants had made great progress. The holes had been drill ed, and pieces of wrought iron bent to the required shape were ready to bolt on the broken arm. This was done, the whistle blown in gladness, and the Fernando Wood started once more along the placid

and it was getting into the afternoon when finished, and the engines started again.

there was no help for it but to draw the fires, run off the water, and let the boiler until a man could go inside and

not gotten far away from the long, low curving line of Chicamacomico Island, stretching its endless green horizon far away to the northeast. Each time the ssel's head had been turned away from but she would break down again before much progress was made, when the would slowly drift her back toward the island. The Deacon and Mrs. Klegg fretted quite as much as Dr. Brookes and the offi-

ers of the vessel, for to them all the inwas over, and they could think of nothing but the farm and the house, and what was crying to be done there at this season of the year. Every hour of delay in getting home seemed a criminal waste of time.

The vessel was certainly drifting nearer the shore, for now the Deacon could not only make out distinctly the forms of trees, but he could see men moving about. home seemed a criminal waste of time.
"I know every one in the neighborhood

Lively Experience in Pamlico Sound With "O, your corn'll be all right, Father,

ed till we even got out of the river," said and the high water must've taken away lots of them, with the cattle going anyduced in pension matters were quite as years old. He was elected Supreme Ponvaluable as post offices, and quite as described by the state of the fact to Dr. Brookes, and gathered seeping up fences. He thinks no more the fact to Dr. Brookes, and gathered about him and the Deacon in obvious about them than he does about his imwhere saw such a rame mortal soul. He wouldn't even put up bay, with a narrow entrance. shackle old collection of patched pipes and largain a gap he'd just laid down, unless I "Of course, what Billings hasn't told evers in my life. The owners never stood right over him. I've got so hot that wanted her to get back, and old Billings hasn't told them, our laying off with our fires out has," continued First Mate Greenville.

fully. "But, then," she softened her reproof, "I've found out myself, since I've been down here, that these lazy, shiftless drift of the ship shoreward. Presently his

"O, Father," said Mrs. Klegg, reproach-

his partner consoled him. "You are always worrying about getting your corn in, service but I've noticed that when you've worried again

wanted her to get back, and old Billings intended to lay her bones on the Ocracoke sand-bars, for his friends, the Hatteras and bars, for his friends, the Hatteras tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a man and again for a couple of hours, at the least-tians who are trying to lift up a

most you've had the best crop."
"And the fences," continued the Deacon.
"The rains have been awful this Spring.

he communicated to Engineer Lefferts, "and they mean trouble. Old Billings has got to them, and told them the shape we're in. I'd like a chance to shovel him into the middle kittle, and dump a trainload of brimstone on to him, "Twon't do though, to let on to the passengers anything about

steam up again, and then we can get away from shore, until something breaks again."
The breeze freshened as the sun began

A heap of devilment can be done before



"WRECKERS AND ROBBERS, DESERTERS FROM THE NAVY, AND ESCAPED CONVICTS." contrabands can be awfully aggravating. | face lighted up, for she had stopped mov-l'alking to them don't seem to do a mite of | ing. "She has touched on a sandbank a mile

again.

and more coming. And if that aint old Billings in the center in the uniform of a

rebel officer, directing them and egging them on, I'll never put sugar in my coffee

The wreckers on shore were studying the

ing it could be told that they had discov

stopped her inward drift.

for consultation.

ered that she had struck on a sandbar, and

The discovery created an obvious excite-

was in the best condition of any of th

some oakum and caulking tools to hur-riedly stop up the worst cracks in her bot-

in order. The First mate called together Dr. Brookes, the Deacon, Si and Shorty

"The boat is stuck here on a sandba

drels may find boats some place to pursue,

will you get the ladies into the boat as

The men listened to him with such quiet,

that something of unusual importance was

Dr. Brookes was the first to speak. As I am the senior officer on this boat,

it is my duty to stay with her to the last

and abide what comes," he said with quiet earnestness, "and I shall do so. Select another man to take my place and row the

"Arthur!" Mrs. Brookes gasped at first

The Deacon pulled his tobacco from his

"Sergeants," said the First Mate, look-

ing toward Si and Shorty, "you're not strong enough to do anything in the scrap when those fellows try to come aboard.

Annabel's face was very white, but she

"when we want to leave this boat we'll ask some gentleman to take us rowing.

and I know they will be glad to rende

for it. Our only hope is in standing them

off, whatever they may try to do, until Sam Lefferts can get up steam. He's feed-

ing his furnaces now with hams and lard and doing all he can. Sergeants, get all

pocket, opened his knife, cut off a deliber

going on, and gathered near to listen.

intent faces, that the ladies who had all gathered on the stern of the boat, divined

soon as it is lowered?"

boat."

heroism.

guess you can get her off all right when you get steam up. We'll hope so. But they're all gathering on the shore waiting for her. I can see 100 of them at least, 

'Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take:

"A good while. I've got to drill through Are big with mercies which will break the broken parts, and bolt a brace on. In blessings on your head.'
Sandy Baker and some of the other soldiers are giving me what help they can, right. They always do. But I can't get a moment's peace from thinking about knows more about machinery and tools Amanda, and that kitchen, and them Jerthan all those dumb roustabouts put together, though they've been working ing for a mother's care. And them Jeraround an engine room all their lives, and seys. They need as much care when they seys. They need as much care when they this is the first time he was ever on a come in as human beings, and a good deal more than most of the human beings down

> said the Deacon, rather ing those around him. petulantly, for his wife's troubles didn't mounted men obeying seem anything like as important as his started inland as fast as their shabby own, "don't do as women are apt to, use horses could get over the sand. all your religion up on your husband, and Looking still more troubled, the First keep none for yourself. You do a little Mate called up the Engineer, and they trusting in Providence, too, for Mandy and went over to examine the long boat, which

"Why, Father!" ejaculated the aston- boats. The Engineer sent Sandy down for directly under the anchor. ished matron. It was rare that the Deacon allowed the least sign of petulance to-

"There, there, Mother," said the Deacon, penitent at once. "That came out without thinking. I didn't mean it. But I'm awfully fretted over things But I'm awfully fretted over things at home, and the way this boat is poking and will stay here until we can get up steam enough, and we may not be able to long is souring on me." steam enough, and we may not be able to None of these things troubled Si and get her off then," he said with the calm.

They were not anxious to get sententice. They were satisfied to lounge to lose. here on deck with their young wives for-ever. The sun was just bright and warm to burn her. I think that is the scheme. ever. chough. The breeze sweeping down from the northwest brought all the fragrance of made to float put in shape to take the Spring, curled the placid water into danc-ing, shimmering wavelets, and tempered two men to row the boat to a place of the heat to the proper degree for fullest safety, where they can attract the notice enjoyment. Every zephyr seemed bring-of some passing vessel. As soon as she is ng back to them health and strength, and ready we want Dr. Brookes and Mr. enjoyment. what could be more blissful, after their Klegg to take the women and row away years of toil, danger and hardship than to as far as possible with them. The scounthat they had striven for was on the point so we want to get them started as soon as handsomest women in the world beside where they could feast their eyes upon their beauties, and assure themselves y the touch of their hands and the sound of their voices that it was all real, and not a dream. What did they care whether the Fernando Wood went ahead, or stood still?

It was bliss fust as it was, There was nothing left for them to wish

for. They down below, Annabel," said Si, with lazy content. "But I don't care. This is good enough for me, right here. I'm not anxious o get anywhere. It can't beat this, and in remonstrance, but checked herself with the chances are against it's being so good. an impulse of admiration for his quiet I'll stay right here with you, if they don't

"The good Lord must have had a time

hunting around for clay fine enough to make you, Maria," said Shorty, breaking a long silence, in which he had done nothmake you, Maria," said Shorty, breaking a long silence, in which he had done nothing but hold her hand and drink her in through his eyes, "Go 'way, Pete," he continued, motioning away that eager young news collector. "I don't care what you've found or heard. The war's over, say here." waters of Pamlico.

The gladness was only too brief, however, for they had not gone more than a couple of miles when a pump-rod buckled, the old tub rets to Washington to-morrow. the old tub gets to Washington to-morrow, or month after next. That's the business of them that's running her. I ain't, thank I ask it as a personal favor to me that the Lord. She suits me just as she is. I am not anxious to move her an inch. I've run all the things in this war that I'm going to. It's the first time since the beginning of the war that I haven't had the whole thing on my mind, and I like "Who wants to be rowed away?" asked the whole thing on my mind, and I like "Who wants to be rowed away?" asked the whole thing on my mind, and I like "Who wants to be rowed away?" asked the whole thing on my mind, and I like "Who wants to be rowed away?" asked the whole thing on my mind, and I like "Who wants to be rowed away?" asked the wants the wants to be rowed away?" asked the wants to be rowed away?" asked the wants to be rowed away?" asked the wants to be rowed away?" the whole thing on my mind, and I like the change. Those of you that want to Maria, with haughty contempt. "Who hurry on to Washington tinker around as asked to be taken away to a place of much as you please. I aint going to. safety? None of us women, I'm sure Nothing can beat this." We'll stay right here and share the dan

Sandy, emerging from the boiler-room, ger with you, whatever it may be. That's lirty, oily, but triumphant, to announce our place." the stoppage of the leak, met with a simir rebuff.

Neither of his formerly energetic and nodded her head in approval.

wideawake superiors could be made to take the slightest interest in or even listen of her head and her old-time hautiness, o any present difficulties and perplexities. They had had enough of that in the past. They were now going to let things take care of themselves, for a change. the ladies that service. At present we'll remain where we are."
"Well," said the First Mate,

as if watching the vessel. He called First Mate Greenville's attention to these, who studied them through his glass with troudied them through his glass with trou-d countenance.

'They're after us, sure as you're born,"

and doing all he can. Sergeants, get all perience the regiment had, for out of 153 men who went forward 112 were killed or wounded inside of 30 minutes.

this, especially the ladies. It'll be time enough to let them get seared when the trouble actually comes, if it does. And to think there aint a gun on the whole blasted old hulk. I believe the only firearm is the Doctor's revolver. Nobody thought of such a thing with a load of convalescents, under the charge of a doctor. I got so tired of guns during my service that I never wanted to see one again."

boat.

"Oh, that's their game, is it?" said Greenville. "They've got a lot of rockets they the taken from some ship and are going to try to burn us up in that way. Well, I think we can beat them at that."

He busied himself directing the crew to fill buckets of water and have them ready at different parts of the ship. The aim of the ship are a characteristic and the second the said and the said trouble actually comes, if it does. And boat, to think there aint a gun on the whole "O "Well, the boiler's all right again, at least for awhile, and I'm filling her with water, and building a fire under her. If struck the ship, they made no blaze, until "Well, the boiler's all right again, at they'll just hold off a little while I'll have

there, sent a shower of fire that at once sinking, and steadily drifted the Fernando

away their whole lot, and unless they can get some more, they are at the end of that string." He stepped to the tube and called down to the Engineer, "How are you mak-ing out. Saw?" ing out, Sam?

ing out, Sam?"
"Pretty well," came the answer back.
"I've just found a barrel of turpentine,
and am greasing some boards with it. I
think I will have up steam enough to move her within half an hour."
"They're through with the rockets," said Si, picking up the First Mate's glass, and studying the group on shore. "I think

there's another. And there, they've found a flat and are cutting poles to pole it out. They seem to be making more for the stern of the boat." "I think the best way to meet them is o gather up everything heavy we can find to drop in their boats when they come

they are after boats now to come out here

and attack us. There comes a boat down through the weeds from that swamp, and

ilong the sides. I will go and attend to that," said Shorty.

In a little while the water in front of the shore was alive with men coming out in canoes, surf boats and other craft. Billings in a gray uniform could be seen in the best of the boats leading the move

"Everybody have turpentine balls ready," they heard him command. we want to do is to burn her. There's nothing aboard her worth having. The old ron in her is worth more than anything else. I'll give you more prize money for her bones than she's worth. Everybody have a turpentine ball ready to throw whenever he sees a good chance. Don't be afraid. Go right up to her. They have no arms aboard, and only sick soldiers." The little flotilla soon came moving slowly over the water, and though the first hiss of steam came from below, it was certain the vessel could not move be-fore the rascals reached her. As the boats approached the ship, some of the men in them began firing muskets and revolvers whenever they could see a head above the bulwarks. The impetuous Dr. Brookes revolver at those approaching the starloading the old-fashioned Colt, they swept up to close quarters and attempted to throw their fire balls in through the bulls

Maria had anticipated this danger, and led the other women in a rush to close all the bullseyes on that side. The fire balls which fell on deck were promptly caught by Pete and Sandy, who skipped from one part of the deck to the other with iron rods, and threw them into the water on the other side.

A flatboat which contained eight or 10 men, and was being polled along slowly, made for the larboard side of the ship, vessel through glasses, and presently, from their actions, and the way they were pointwhich had been overlooked in the preparations. Si saw that the most danger was to be apprehended from it, and with Shorty's assistance, tried to lift a small anchor lying on the deck to the top of the bulwark. It would have been easy work for both if they were in health, but now they of strained at it until Maria peering above the deck to see how things were going there noticed them, ran to them, and with his directions her strong hands gave them the required help to lift the anchor to the top and poise it there. The flatboat touched the side of the ship and was being pushed along toward the ladder when it came

"Let her go," said Si, and down it crashed upon the heads of the men and through the bottom of the beat.

tom, and began getting the lowering gear Col. Billings, with his usual cunning, saw that the main defense was on the larboard side, and directed his boat to go around to the side which had no defenders. He made several attempts to throw fire balls on to the deck or through the bullseyes without much success, and then sententiousness of a man who has no time to lose. "Those scoundrels on shore there directed one of the men to throw up a rope with a book on the end to catch the bulwark, for them to climb up. The noise attracted the attention of Sam Lefferts, who had been preparing the Engineer's peculiar defense—a hose attached to the boiler. He ran to the side of the ship, looked over, saw the men gathering around the rope, dropped the nozzle and the hose over the side, and just above their heads, and whistled to the fireman below the signal to turn on the steam. The signal was instantly obeyed. A mighty scalding blast dashed out the nozzle with a cloud of burning vapor that appossible. Dr. Brookes and Mr. Klegg peared to literally cook the men exposed,

and they fell into the bottom of the boat which drifted off. "I guess we've got steam enough to turn over the screw now," chuckled Sam, as he saw the terrible evidence of the force of the blast. 'T'll run down and start her up. We're all right now. Andy!" he yelled to the First Mate. out with her in a hurry, Good-by, you whelps," he continued, shaking his fist at the writhing men in the boat. anything to the hotter place you'll be in

to-night. (To be continued.)

# PERSONAL.

Capt. Frank M. Brown, Asbury Park, ate chew, which he placed in his mouth, and then said as calmly as if pronouncing N. J., and one of the best known opera-tors in the Texas oil fields, died in the hospital at Beaumont, Tex., July 12. graduated at West Point, and served as a civil engineer in the Spanish War.

A comrade of Seattle, Wash., who seems to have names and history to burn, has applied to the Superior Court to change his name. He says that he was 1844 in the province of Scandia, Sweden, and is a son of Frederick VII of Denmark. He claims that his proper name is Karl Christian Frederick Vascen Turdensjult; that he was sent to this country when very young, and served in the Navy during the rebellion under the name of Karl C. Vascen, but has of late years been known as John Anderson, which name he prefers the Court shall assign to him. He also served in the army, and is a naturalized

Brig.-Gen. John Q. Lane died July 13, at the home of his son-in-law in Atlantic, City, N. J. Gen. Lane went out in 1862 in command of the 97th Ohio and commanded it throughout its service, mustered out with the regiment, participating in the battles of Perry mustered out with the regiment. After participating in the battles of Perryville, Stone River, and others of the Army of the Cumberland, it drove out the rebel sharpshooters from Chattanooga, and entered that place three hours before the main army. For this Gen. Rosecrans gave the regiment and brigade the honor of gartisoning the post, and thus it was not in Chickamauga. It lost fearfully in the assault on Mission Ridge, and June 22, 1864, the regiment, being then on the picket line, was ordered to drive in the rebel outposts. This was the severest experience the regiment had, for out of 153

do the best work, and provide them with

anything you can find that will serve to fight with."

presently returned with bundles of sticks

over their shoulders, the use of which puz-zled Greenville and the rest, until they

saw one of the sticks stuck in the sand and lighted and a rocket whizz close to the

one better directed entered the bull's eye of the Deacon's state room, and, bursting

inflamed his bedding and the light wood work. Greenville rushed to the room with

an exciting combat with the flames for a

few minutes, amid the triumphant yells of the men on shore, and finally quenched

"That seems to be the last of their

leck again with his hair singed and his

clothes burned, and surveying the men on

shore through his glass. "They have fired

squad of men with buckets.

them, but not until all the Dea

day clothes were hopelessly ruined.

rockets," said the First Mate, com